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- 1. Following acceptance runs made from 25 to 27 April 1953, batch III KS boats 24 and 28 were taken over by the Sea Police on 20 May 1953. KS 24 was given distinguishing number 125 and KS 28 designation number 118. HABICHT-type sea police vessel 611, which lay in Peenemwende, was armed with a 37-mm AA gun on the foredeck and two 37-mm AA guns on the ventilating trunk aft. 2 HABICHT--type vessel KS 2002 was nearing completion at the Peenewerft (Peene Shipyard) in Wolgast and was expected to be ready for her first shakedown run in early June الأنواط فالعالم
 - 2. Sea Police vessel WISMAR rade successful acceptance runs on 14 May 1953 and, subsequently, remained in the Peenewerft in Wolgast until 23 May 1953. Lieutenant (Ing) Skambracks (fmu) and some members of the technical staff were the only personnel aboard. The WISMAR carried 80 tons of ballast and attained a speed of 12 and the first of the section of the knots. 3
 - 3. Vessels lying in the Peenewerft in Wolgast on 22 May 1953 included series (II K5" boats 23, 26 and 27; three sea police KS boats exchanging engines; four sea police KS beats which were afloat after renewal of their plating and received a new coat of paint; the WISMAR; motor rinesweepers 513, and 514; vessels KS 2002 and 2004 which were new constructions; a seiner and some small vessels belonging to the Seehydrographischer Dienst (Maritime Hydrographical Service) (SHD). Soviet seagoing tug RB 46 had left the Peenewerft in Wolgast in mid-May 1953. ...
 - Unterleutnant Radenberger (fnu), who was captain of a sea police salvage vessel stationed in Sassnitz, stated that a 750-ton submarine had been raised near Geoser lightship and was towed into Warnemuende. This submarine had been damaged at her after section and was to be repaired at the Peenewerft in Wolgast.
 - 5. Leutnant Kuhlmann (fnu), Sea Police section engineer stated that the East German border police had 57 vessels, including 20 KB boats, built by the Yachtwerft (Yachtbuilding Yard) Berlin, 8 KS boats taken over from the Sea Police and revenue cruisers G 201 and G 202 which latter lay in the Peenewerft in Wolgast since 17 May 1953 to be fitted with interference suppressors. They had black distinguishing marks on each side of the wheelhouse, rather than the bows. 4

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6. A sea police Obermaat (chief petty officer) who had been slated to become engineer officer of KS boat 27, committed suicide at the Zentrale Versorgungs-lager (Central Supply Depot)(ZVL) in Wolgast because he had failed in an examination. Leutnant Oppenberger (fnu) at the ZVL in Wolgast fled from Wolgast on 19 May 1953 after he had been given 3 days of confinement to quarters for having in his possession photographs of installations and sea police craft. No information was available on whether he safely reached West Berlin.

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25X1A 3. omment. WISMAR is the former 540 ton Danish minelayer LOSSEN. built in 1910, which will be used as a seagoing tug by the Sea Police.

25X1A 4. Comment. Information on KB boats was previously submitted.

Revenue cruisers G 201 and G 202 were also built on the Yachtwerft in Berlin.

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